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RACK STRUCTURE FOR  
BACKLASH-FREE RACK-AND-PINION

: MAIL STOP: AF

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37.CFR1.116  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 6, 2007, kindly amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application as follows:

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